

and during the winter half year, all probationers on the roll be put at the disposal of the Home Mission Committee for Home Mission work, for a third part of the time; and that the Home Mission Committee be instructed to consider the propriety of using means for securing an addition to our laborers from the Presbyterian Churches abroad with which this Church holds fraternal intercourse.

4. That the Synod earnestly urge on congregations the formation of missionary associations, or the adoption of some mode of more frequent systematic contribution for missionary purposes.

5. That the change proposed in the Home Mission Regulation relative to the remuneration of Missionaries be sanctioned as follows—'That the amount of salary to be paid viz, each congregation, station or group of stations shall be determined by the Presbytery of the bounds, and specified to Committee; and it is recommended that a minimum be aimed at by the Presbytery and Committee conjointly, of \$400 for an ordained minister or licentiate without board; \$300, without board, for a catechist; and for a student in Divinity, at the rate of \$5 per Sabbath, with board, and travelling expenses to the field of labour.

The following clauses were ordered to be sent down to Presbyteries for their consideration.

1. Presbyteries when they shall see fit, shall appoint ministers, or ordained missionaries over missionary districts, who shall have, while thus engaged by Presbyteries, a seat in the Church Courts.

2. That instead of having separate Committees meeting half-yearly for business, the business of the Church be transacted by a large Committee to consist of the Conveners of the several Committees appointed by the Synod, and two members from each Presbytery, and appointed by the several Presbyteries, who shall meet for business in October and April of each year.

It was agreed that the expenses incurred be paid out of the Central Fund.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

The Foreign Mission Report was presented and read by the Convener, the Rev. R. F. Burns, on Thursday evening. The Report was of an encouraging character. It referred to the departure of Rev J. Nisbet to the Saskatchewan with two assistants, to commence a mission among the Indians in that quarter, to the appointment of Rev. A. Matheson to Red River to succeed Mr. Nisbet and to the labours of Messrs. Jamieson and Duff in British Columbia. It recommended also the appointment of a missionary to the New Hebrides. The state of the funds was encouraging; the receipts from all sums had been \$3,997 34 and there was a balance in the Treasury of \$5,381 66. The Report was received, the diligence of the Committee and Convener commended, and the report referred to a Committee to consider and frame a deliverance to be submitted at a subsequent sederunt.

In view of the fact that the missionary agents to the Indians were about this time to go forth on the work assigned to them, and that Mr. Matheson was now